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The Council for Tobacco Research - U.S.A., Inc.
900 Third Avenue
New York, New York 10022

Dear Sir/Madame:

re: Funding for International Symposium

This is to formally request from you financial support in the amount of $2,500 in connection with an international symposium I plan to hold in August 1992.

Its title is Smooth Muscle Contraction: Recent Advances. A copy of the tentative programme and speakers is attached. The University of Manitoba is the official sponsor and I am their contact person. This is the fourth smooth muscle symposium that I am organizing in Winnipeg. The proceedings of the previous three were published and I am attaching copies of their front covers.

A registration fee will of course be levied and at this point in time I envisage about $200 per head to defray the costs of the symposium itself. However I need to raise money for the travel, board and lodge expenses of the 31 speakers. Tentatively this amounts to $40,000 and I am writing to request you for financial support in this connection. Any sum would be gratefully accepted but the request, at this time, is for $2,500.

The symposium will be held at the Minaki Lodge, Minaki, Ontario. This an ideal symposium site, with complete symposium facilities. The last symposium was held there and was a great success. We ensured the symposium was accessible to everyone and provided transport facilities between Winnipeg and Minaki. Incidentally, the registration fee for interns, residents and graduate students will be reduced to $100.

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The target audience consists of:

1. Basic smooth muscle researchers. This includes all types of smooth muscles and the range of topics covers ultrastructure, biophysics (electrophysiology and mechanics), biochemistry and molecular biology.
2. Researchers and clinicians interested in asthma, essential hypertension and persistent pulmonary hypertension of the newborn.
3. Graduate students and post-doctoral fellows, interns and residents interested in the above topics.

Other sources that will be approached for financial support are:

- Medical Research Council of Canada
- Manitoba Heart and Stroke Foundation
- Manitoba Lung Association
- American Council for Tobacco Research ($3000.00 already received)
- Manitoba Health Sciences Centre Research Foundation
- St. Boniface Hospital Health Research Foundation
- Children's Hospital Health Research Foundation

Many of the sources listed supported my last symposium.

Yours sincerely,

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